

Potomac Aqueduct  
Spanning the Potomac River between  
Arlington County, Virginia and  
Washington D.C.

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POTOMAC AQUEDUCT

Date: 1833-1843

Location: Spanning the Potomac River between Arlington County  
Virginia and Washington D.C.

Designed by: Ithiel Town

Owned by: Original; Alexandria Canal Company

Significance: The Potomac Aqueduct was an important component in the integrated canal system serving the Potomac River watershed. Built during a major expansion in America's long distance transportation system, it was an important structure that demonstrated the capabilities of wood construction in meeting the needs of canal engineering. It is also locally significant because of its role in advancing the financial interests of Alexandria Va. over those of Georgetown in Washington D.C.

Transmitted by: Dan Clement, 1983. For further information on the Potomac Aqueduct we recommend Building The Potomac Aqueduct 1830, written by Donald Beekman Myer, AIA published by the Preservation Press, National Trust For Historic Preservation, 740-748 Jackson Place, NW Washington, D.C. 20006.

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